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Application No. Applicant(s) Supplemental 10/630,632 FRANKOWSKY ET AL. Notice of Allowability Examiner Art Unit James M. Mitchell 2813 -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. 1. This communication is responsive to 4/8/2005. 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 25-28 and 31-35. 3. The drawings filed on 29 July 2003 are accepted by the Examiner. 4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) 🖾 All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. 5. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. (a) I including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _ (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). 7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 6. Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date 3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),

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Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit

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SUPPLEMENTAL DETAILED ACTION

This office action is in response to the amendment filed April 8, 2005.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Tanya Drake on May 20, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows to overcome newly discovered art:

<u>CLAIMS</u>

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In claim 25, Line 5 after "layer" insert- - and arranging said circuit devices on said pattern connection layer, such that the contact areas of said devices are not located on said patterned connection layer- -;

In Line 9 after "device" insert- - on said patterned connection layer- - and after "devices" insert- -after removing said transfer substrate--.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 25-28 and 31-35 are allowed.

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The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: the prior art does not disclose or make obvious a method of forming a semiconductor module including patterning a connection layer to a transfer substrate and arranging circuit devices on said patterned connection layers such that the contact areas faced toward the connection layer are not located on the patterned connection layer, curing the connection layer and then removing the transfer substrate prior to applying an electrical connection device including all the limitations of the independent claim.

While the use of adhesives formed on a substrate, with openings not located on a chip's contact area is known in the art as evidenced by Moden (U.S. 6,589,810).

These opening provide access to conductors (i.e. analogous to "connection device" of claimed invention) formed on a permanent substrate for testing. As such, the teaching of Moden would not be obvious in light of the prior art, since the basis for providing openings in the adhesive as taught by Moden (i.e. access to conductors) would not be realized, because no conductors are formed on the claimed transfer substrate.

For example, chips attached to adhesives on transfer substrates are known in the art in the manufacturing of semiconductor circuit modules as evidenced for example by Fillion (U.S. 5,497,033) and Towie (U.S. 6,489,185), however the prior art shows that the transfer substrates are free of conductors and that the contact areas of the devices when attached on the transfer substrate are covered by the connection layer.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to James M. Mitchell whose telephone number is (571) 272-1931. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:00-4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Carl Whitehead Jr. can be reached on (571) 272-1702. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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In the notice of allowance submitted June 6, 2005, it failed to indicate the status of claim 35; however claim 35 was correctly included on the issue classification. As such, a supplemental notice of allowance is being forwaded to clarify the record.

Furthermore, this application has been returned by the USPTO's printing department, because its specification filed July 29, 2003 is now improper; the specification on page 3, line 4 references a claim 12 that does not exist. Due to examiner's omission of claim 35, and in order for applicant to properly amend his specification to enable issuance, finality has been withdrawn. Applicant must properly amend his specification.

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